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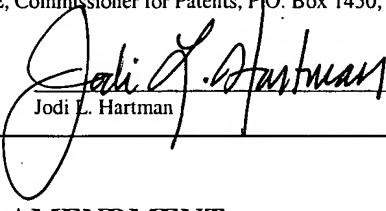
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**RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request continued examination and consideration of the following amendments and remarks contained herein in response to the final Office Action mailed April 16, 2004. Please enter the following amendments to the claims and consider the following remarks addressing all points raised by the Office Action as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.